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## POLICY LETTER 2-00

From: Commanding General To: Distribution List

Subi: POLICY CONCERNING DRIVING WHILE UNDER BASE REVOCATION OR SUSPENSION OF

PRIVILEGES

Ref: (a) CCO 1630.8B

- 1. Driving aboard any military base is a privilege not a right. In order to provide for safe and efficient traffic control, the reference sets standards and regulations applicable to the operation of motor vehicles aboard the Combat Center. It also implements a system to address those who violate established rules. From a point system, to suspension or revocation of driving privileges, the administrative consequences for breaking the rules are designed to promote responsible and safe driving. As Commanding General, it is my responsibility to use all means legally at my disposal to bring about compliance with the reference. It is disturbing to find that some of our Marines and Sailors contemptuously disregard our traffic safety regulations. It is especially flagrant when Marines and Sailors are caught driving while on base suspension or revocation. For whatever reason, these service members have forfeited their privilege and, for reasons that range from indifference to deliberate contempt, they make the conscious decision to disobey a lawful order and drive. This will not be tolerated.
- 2. Per the reference, anyone whose, driving privileges have been suspended or revoked is forbidden to drive a privately owned vehicle on the Combat Center and is forbidden to allow anyone else to operate their privately owned vehicle on the Combat Center unless that person is a bona tide dependant of the registered owner. Law enforcement personnel are required to apprehend persons driving on base revocation or suspension. The Provost Marshal is hereby directed to apprehend any service member who is caught driving on the Combat Center while their driving privileges are either suspended or revoked and to hold such person until a command representative personally presents themselves to take custody of that individual. The command representative will be a staff sergeant or above in the individual's direct chain of command and will be senior to the individual apprehended.
- 3. In those cases where the driver is not the registered owner of the vehicle, the Provost Marshal will ensure that the owner is issued an Armed Forces Traffic Ticket for allowing a person whose privilege has been revoked or suspended to drive on the Combat Center. In those cases where the driver is the registered owner and operation of the vehicle is subject to restricted privileges, the registered owner will be required to show cause, to the Traffic Court Officer, why the vehicle registration should not be revoked. The Provost Marshal will ensure the policy contained herein is implemented in accordance with the reference.

//signed// C. L. STANLEY

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